



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the application of:

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For: Foaming Agent for Manufacturing a Foamed or Porous Material

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

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Sir:

Prior to the continued examination of the present application, the applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and consideration of the following remarks.

- I. Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this response;
- II. Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this response;
- III. Remarks begin on page 5 of this response; and
- IV. Conclusion begins on page 9 of this response.